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In re application of:

Applicant

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INTERNET-BASED METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING AND SERVING CONSUMER PRODUCT

ADVERTISEMENTS TO CONSUMERS IN RETAIL STORES

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 16, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed in the present Application on September 16, 2002, Applicant submits the following amendments to the same:

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 5-12 and 39-43 without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend claims 13-38 (formerly misnumbered as claims 12-37) as follows:

[12]13. An Internet-based information system, comprising:

an IP-based network installed in a retail shopping environment and connected to the infrastructure of the Internet by way of an IP-based router; and

a plurality of publisher-operated client subsystems connected to said IP-based network, for the purpose of enabling different departments within the publishing organization (e.g. advertising, world news, business, technology, sports, finance, education, arts and leisure, etc.) to manage different types of UPN/URL links based on the type of information contained within the URL-specified information resource on the WWW.

[13]14. The Internet-based information system of claim [12]13, wherein each said publisher-operated client subsystem has a publishing software program having a composition/editing mode